The reasons for allowing the drugs for human consumption has been given in the reply to parts (d) and (e) of the question.

Import of Serum/Vaccines

1177. SHRI RAFIQUE ALAM: Will the Minister of HEALTH AND FAMILY WELFARE be pleased to refer to the answer to Starred Question 219 given in the Rajya Sabha on 7th May, 1986 and state:

(a) the number of consignments of each of serum, human and veterinary vaccines imported during the last three years, year-wise, along with the quantity and country of import;

(b) the number of samples of each serum, human and veterinary vaccines were drawn;

(c) the names of the laboratories where each sample was tested along with its report;

(d) if these were not tested, what were the reasons for non-testing of each batch;

(e) whether it is a fact that most of the imported sera and vaccines are of sub-standard quality due to the reasons that either the samples are not tested or facilities to test them in the country are not available; and

(f) if so, the names of vaccines and sera for which testing facilities are not available and by when the same will be made available?

THE MINISTER OF STATE IN THE MINISTRY OF HEALTH AND FAMILY WELFARE (KUMARI SAROJ KHAPARDE): (a) to (c) The information is being collected and will be laid on the table of the Sabha.

(d) and (e) Only vaccines conforming to the prescribed conditions of strength and quality are allowed to be imported. Under the normal circumstances vaccines, for which testing facilities are available, are tested when imported into the country for the first time. For subsequent consignments from the same source random sampling is done. Under exceptional circumstances, such as epidemic, vaccines are released without testing. However, it may be added that in all the cases of human vaccines, the vaccine is released only after a batch release certificate, issued by the health authorities of the exporting countries, is furnished by the importer.

(f) Testing facilities for Measles—Mumps and Rubella (MMR) are not available for the present but are being developed indigenously.

Appointment of Chairman and Managing Directeor of Cochin Shipyard Limited, Cochin

1178. SHRI BIR BHADRA PRATAP SINGH: Will the Minister of SURFACE TRANSPORT be pleased to state:

(a) whether it is a fact that the selection for Chief Managing Director and Directors in Cochin Shipyard Limited, Cochin was held without issuing the press advertisement.

(b) whether no candidates from CSL and other shipyard were called for interview;

(c) if so, the details thereof; and

(d) what action is being taken to revise the selection process in order to enable the Public Enterprises Selection Board to select right candidates for the above posts?

THE MINISTER OF STATE OF THE MINISTRY OF SURFACE TRANSPORT (SHRI RAJESH PILOT): (a) to (d) The selection to the Post of Chairman and Managing Director CSL was made as per the laid down guidelines for filling up the posts of top Executives of Public Sector Undertakings, promulgated *vide* Ministry of Finance's O.M. No 5(24)|77-BPE-PESB dated 5th August 1977. The candidates invited for the